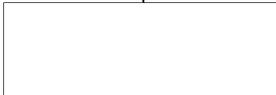




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**Preface**

*Information available  
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This reference aid, formatted as a weekly datebook for 1987, shows holidays and anniversary dates of historical events that are of known or potential significance for terrorists or for groups that engage in terrorism. It is intended to alert government analysts and policymakers concerned with terrorism to the potential for political violence as these dates approach.

Certain holidays and anniversaries hold special significance for some terrorist groups—especially those with an ethnic base. Such a group would be likely to time a terrorist operation to coincide with one of these dates.

Although significant dates have been included for almost every country, their citation is not intended to imply that terrorist attacks are to be expected on any of these dates. The dates are intended to serve as reference points should other information begin to accumulate indicating planning for organized violence.

Three types of dates are included:

- National holidays or important historical events.
- Dates of important terrorist attacks or counterterrorist successes.
- Dates known to be important to terrorists or insurgents, such as founding anniversaries, “martyrdoms,” and trials.



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**December 1986–  
January 1987**

Terrorism is politically motivated, premeditated violence perpetrated against noncombatant targets by subnational groups or clandestine state agents, usually intended to influence an audience. International terrorist acts involve the citizens or territory of more than one country.

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**29**

**Monday**

**30**

**Tuesday**

**Philippines**

1896

Execution of national hero Jose Rizal

**31**

**Wednesday**

**Afghanistan**

1964

People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan founded

**Philippines**

1968

Founding of Communist Party/Marxist-Leninist

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**1** **Thursday**

<b>Brunei</b>	1984	Independence Day
<b>Cameroon</b>	1960	Independence Day
<b>Cuba</b>	1959	Liberation Day (day Batista government fell)
<b>Haiti</b>	1804	Independence Day
<b>Palestinians</b>	1965	Palestinian revolution; founding of Fatah
<b>Sudan</b>	1956	Independence Day (proclamation of republic)
<b>Western Samoa</b>	1962	Independence Day

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**2** **Friday**

<b>Spain</b>	1492	Grenada Day (commemorates expulsion of Moors by King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella)
<b>Tunisia</b>	1984	Start of countrywide bread riots over removal of subsidies for bread and pasta

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**3** **Saturday**

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**4** **Sunday**

<b>Burma</b>	1948	Independence Day
	1974	Constitution of socialist republic adopted

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**January 1987**

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**5** **Monday**

- Laos**                    1956            **Founding of Lao Patriotic Front**
- Luxembourg**            1921            **Birthday of Grand Duke (national day)**
- Pakistan**                1928            **Birthday of executed former President Zulfikar Ali Bhutto**

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**6** **Tuesday**

- Colombia**                1963            **Founding of National Liberation Army (ELN)**

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**7** **Wednesday**

- Cambodia**                1979            **Vietnamese invasion overthrows Khmer Rouge regime of Pol Pot**

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**8**

**Thursday**

**South Africa**      1912      **Founding of African National Congress (ANC)**

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**9**

**Friday**

**Panama**      1964      **Martyrs' Day (day of mourning commemorating anniversary of anti-US riots)**

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**10**

**Saturday**

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**11**

**Sunday**

**Albania**      1946      **Proclamation of republic**

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**January 1987**

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**12**

**Monday**

**Tanzania**                      1964                      Zanzibar Revolution Day (people's republic established)

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**13**

**Tuesday**

**Ghana**                      1972                      National Redemption Day (anniversary of coup)  
**Togo**                      1967                      Liberation Day (military coup)

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**14**

**Wednesday**

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**15**

**Thursday**

<b>Egypt</b>	1918	Birthday of Jamal 'Abd al-Nasir
<b>Ireland</b>	1922	Founding of Irish Free State
<b>West Germany, France</b>	1985	Red Army Faction and Action Directe France issue joint communique declaring anti-imperialist front

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**16**

**Friday**

<b>Benin</b>	1977	Liberation Day; Martyrs' Day (repulsion of invasion by mercenary troops from Gabon)
<b>Iran</b>	1979	Shah-Burning Day (departure of Shah from Iran)

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**17**

**Saturday**

<b>Colombia</b>	1974	Nineteenth of April Movement (M-19) steals sword of Simon Bolivar from Bogota Museum (group's founding dates from this act)
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**18**

**Sunday**

<b>Egypt, Israel</b>	1974	Disengagement Agreement signed
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**19**

**Monday**

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**20**

**Tuesday**

<b>Guinea-Bissau</b>	1973	National Heroes' Day (commemorates assassination of Amilcar Cabral, founder of African Party for the Independence of Guinea-Bissau and Cape Verde Islands (PAIGC))
<b>Iran</b>	1981	US Embassy hostages released

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**21**

**Wednesday**

<b>Soviet Union</b>	1924	Death of Vladimir Ilich Lenin
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**22**

**Thursday**

<b>Iran</b>	1946	<b>Kurdish Republic Day</b>
<b>Kurdish regions</b>	1945	<b>Qazi Muhammed uprising</b>
<b>St. Vincent and the Grenadines</b>	1498	<b>Discovery Day</b>
<b>Ukraine</b>	1918	<b>Independence Day</b>

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**23**

**Friday**

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**24**

**Saturday**

<b>Romania</b>	1859	<b>Union Day</b>
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**25**

**Sunday**

<b>Brazil</b>	1554	<b>Foundation Day</b>
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**January–  
February 1987**

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**26**

**Monday**

<b>India</b>	1950	Republic Day (national day)
<b>Romania</b>	1918	Birthday of President Nicolae Ceauseacu
<b>Tunisia</b>	1978	Black Thursday (anniversary of labor riots)

**27**

**Tuesday**

**28**

**Wednesday**

<b>Australia</b>	1788	Australia Day
<b>Cuba</b>	1853	Birthday of Jose Marti
<b>India</b>	1948	Assassination of Mahatma Gandhi by Hindu extremist
<b>Italy</b>	1982	Freeing of Red Brigades' captive US Army Brigadier General Dozier
<b>Rwanda</b>	1961	Proclamation of republic

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**29****Thursday**

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**30****Friday**

<b>Chinese world</b>		Lunar New Year (beginning of Chinese year 4685)
<b>East and West Germany</b>	1933	Accession to power by National Socialist (Nazi) Party
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	1972	Bloody Sunday (13 killed and 16 wounded during demonstration in Derry)

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**31****Saturday**

<b>Guatemala</b>	1980	The People's Front of 31 January (FP-31), a front organization of the Guerrilla Army of the Poor (EGP), takes its name from this date, on which some of its members occupied the Spanish Embassy
<b>Nauru</b>	1968	Independence Day

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**1****Sunday**

<b>India</b>	1984	Kashmir separatist leader Maqbool Butt executed
	1985	Kashmir Liberation Front sets off two bombs to commemorate Butt's execution
<b>Iran</b>	1979	Return of Ayatollah Khomeini to Iran from exile in Paris
<b>West Germany</b>	1985	Red Army Faction killed Ernst Zimmerman, arms industry executive

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**February 1987**

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**2**

**Monday**

**Philippines**                      1987                      Constitutional referendum scheduled

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**3**

**Tuesday**

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**4**

**Wednesday**

**Angola**                      1961                      Beginning of armed struggle against Portugal  
**Israel, Libya, Syria**                      1986                      Israeli interception of Libyan aircraft carrying Syrian officials  
**Sri Lanka**                      1948                      Independence Day

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**5**

**Thursday**

**Burma**                      1960                      Kachin Independence Army (KIA) Revolution Day

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**6**

**Friday**

**Lebanon**                      1984                      Fall of West Beirut to Muslim militias  
**New Zealand**                      1840                      Waitangi Day (national day)  
**Pakistan**                      1981                      Founding of Movement for Restoration of Democracy (MRD)

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**7**

**Saturday**

**Grenada**                      1974                      Independence Day  
**Philippines**                      1986                      Ferdinand Marcos reelected president; widespread fraud charges and demonstrations led to his fleeing to United States and inauguration of Corazon Aquino

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**8**

**Sunday**

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**9**

**Monday**

**10**

**Tuesday**

**11**

**Wednesday**

- Iran**                      1979                      **Revolution Day; "Eleventh Dawn" (the 11th day of the revolution is considered the day of victory over the old regime)**
- Italy, Vatican City**      1929                      **Lateran Treaty signed (governs relationship between Italy and Vatican City)**
- Japan**                                             **National Foundation Day**

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**12**

**Thursday**

**Burma**

1947

Union Day

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**13**

**Friday**

**Cyprus**

1975

Declaration of establishment of Turkish Federated State of Cyprus

**Zaire**

1961

Death of Patrice Lumumba

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**14**

**Saturday**

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**15**

**Sunday**

**Colombia**

1966

Death of National Liberation Army (ELN) guerrilla leader and priest Camilo Torres

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**16**

**Monday**

Lithuanian SSR      1918      Independence Day

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**17**

**Tuesday**

Vietnam      1979      Invasion by Chinese troops

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**18**

**Wednesday**

The Gambia      1965      Independence Day

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**19**

**Thursday**

<b>Egypt, Israel</b>	1980	Exchange of ambassadors
<b>Nepal</b>	1952	King Tribhuan Memorial Day
<b>Poland</b>	1947	People's republic established

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**20**

**Friday**

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**21**

**Saturday**

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**22**

**Sunday**

<b>Qatar</b>	1972	Coup d'etat that brought Shaikh Khalifa bin Hamad al-Thani to power
<b>Romania</b>	1948	Founding of Romanian Workers' Party
<b>St. Lucia</b>	1979	Independence Day

**February-  
March 1987**

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**23**

**Monday**

- Brunei**                    1984                    National Day
- Guyana**                    1970                    Republic Day

**24**

**Tuesday**

- Czechoslovakia**        1948                    First Communist government
- Ghana**                    1966                    Liberation Day (overthrow of Nkrumah)

**25**

**Wednesday**

- Kuwait**                    1948                    Independence Day
- Philippines**            1986                    Corazon Aquino inaugurated as President
- Suriname**                1980                    Day of Liberation and Renewal

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**26**

**Thursday**

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**27**

**Friday**

<b>Dominican Republic</b>	1844	Independence Day
<b>Western Sahara</b>	1976	Anniversary of the Saharan Democratic Arab Republic (Polisario government-in-exile)

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**28**

**Saturday**

<b>El Salvador</b>	1977	Leftists demonstrating against alleged election fraud in San Salvador killed by security forces; Popular League of 28 February (LP-28) takes its name from this event
<b>Sweden</b>	1986	Unidentified lone gunman kills Prime Minister Olaf Palme

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**1**

**Sunday**

<b>Bulgaria</b>	1878	Independence Day
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**February-  
March 1987**

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**2**

**Monday**

<b>El Salvador</b>	1972	Founding of People's Revolutionary Army (ERP)
<b>Libya</b>	1977	Establishment of Jamahiriyah (masses' state)
<b>Morocco</b>	1956	Independence Day (termination of Treaty of Fez)

**3**

**Tuesday**

<b>Morocco</b>	1961	Accession of King Hassan to throne
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**4**

**Wednesday**

<b>Colombia, United States</b>	1982	Effective date of extradition treaty aimed at narcotics traffickers
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**5**

**Thursday**

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**6**

**Friday**

<b>Ghana</b>	1957	<b>Independence Day</b>
<b>Kurdish regions</b>	1975	<b>Algerian Accord between Iran and Iraq abandoning support of the Kurds</b>

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**7**

**Saturday**

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**8**

**Sunday**

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**9**

**Monday**

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**10**

**Tuesday**

**Kurdish regions**

1979

Death of Kurdish leader Mulla Mustafa Barzani

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**11**

**Wednesday**

**Indonesia**

1966

President Soekarno turns over power to Soeharto

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**12**

**Thursday**

<b>Gabon</b>		<b>National Day</b>
<b>Mauritius</b>	1968	<b>Independence Day</b>
<b>Turkey</b>	1880	<b>Birthday of Kemal Ataturk</b>

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**13**

**Friday**

<b>Grenada</b>	1979	<b>National Day (commemorates coup d'etat by Maurice Bishop)</b>
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**14**

**Saturday**

<b>Japan</b>	1975	<b>Chukaku-ha (Nucleus Faction) Secretary General Honda assassinated by rival radical groups</b>
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**15**

**Sunday**

<b>Angola</b>	1962	<b>Founding of National Front for the Liberation of Angola (FNLA)</b>
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**16**

**Monday**

**Armenians**

1921

Signing of Soviet-Turkish border treaty that ended Armenian hopes of establishing a separate independent state

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**17**

**Tuesday**

**Ireland**

St. Patrick's Day (national day)

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**18**

**Wednesday**

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**19**

**Thursday**

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**20**

**Friday**

<b>Colombia</b>	1981	Death of M-19 terrorist Carmenza Londono ("La Chiqui")
<b>Tunisia</b>	1956	Independence Day

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**21**

**Saturday**

<b>Kurdish regions</b>		Kurdish New Year
<b>Palestinians</b>		"International Day of Solidarity With the Struggle of the Arab People of Palestine Against Israeli Aggressors"
<b>South Africa</b>	1960	"Sharpeville Massacre" of black demonstrators by security forces

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**22**

**Sunday**

<b>Middle East</b>	1945	Founding of Arab League (original members: Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Saudi Arabia and Syria)
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**March 1987**

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**23****Monday**

**Pakistan** 1956 Pakistan Day (founding of Islamic republic)

**24****Tuesday**

**Argentina** 1976 President Isabel Peron ousted by Gen. Jorge Rafael Videla

**El Salvador** 1980 Archbishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero assassinated by rightists

**Libya, United States** 1986 US naval forces cross "line of death" in Gulf of Sidra and engage Libyan forces. Four Libyan patrol boats sunk or damaged and an SA-5 radar site crippled

**Northern Ireland** 1972 Beginning of direct rule by the British Government

**25****Wednesday**

**El Salvador** 1980 US Embassy attacked by Popular Liberation Forces (FPL) in response to assassination of Archbishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero the previous day; since then, FPL attacks have been relatively more frequent between 25 March and 6 April than during rest of year

**Greece** 1821 Greek Revolution Memorial Day (commemorates independence from Turkey)

**Saudi Arabia** 1975 Assassination of King Faisal and accession of King Khalid

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**26**

**Thursday**

<b>Bangladesh</b>	1971	<b>Independence Day</b>
<b>Egypt, Israel</b>	1978	<b>Peace agreement ratified</b>

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**27**

**Friday**

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**28**

**Saturday**

<b>El Salvador</b>	1980	<b>Government expropriates plantations; Salvation Movement of 28 March (MS-28) takes its name from this event</b>
<b>Italy</b>	1980	<b>Four members of Red Brigades die in shootout with Carabinieri in Genoa</b>
<b>Libya</b>	1970	<b>UK Evacuation Day (day British forces turned over bases and departed)</b>
<b>Palestinians</b>		<b>National Day</b>

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**29**

**Sunday**

<b>Philippines</b>	1969	<b>Founding of New People's Army, military arm of Communist Party of the Philippines</b>
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**March-  
April 1987**

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**30****Monday**

**France** 1986 Andre Olivier, cofounder of Action Directe, arrested in Lyon

**Palestinians** 1976 Day of the Homeland

**31****Tuesday**

**Malta** National Day

**1****Wednesday**

**Armenians** The month of April is dedicated by Armenian groups to the memory of the massacre of Armenians by Turks during 1915-18

**Cyprus** 1955 EOKA (National Organization of the Cypriot Struggle) Day (beginning of guerrilla struggle for Greek Cypriot independence)

**El Salvador** 1970 Founding of Popular Liberation Forces (FPL)  
1980 US Cultural Center in San Salvador bombed and strafed by FPL  
1981 Rocket and gun attack on US Embassy by FPL

**Iran** 1979 Islamic Republic Day (commemorates Isfahan riots)

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**2****Thursday**

<b>Argentina, United Kingdom</b>	1982	Argentina invades Falklands
<b>Greece</b>	1986	Bomb aboard TWA flight 840 killed four US citizens—one an infant

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**3****Friday**

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**4****Saturday**

<b>Hungary</b>	1945	Liberation Day
<b>NATO</b>	1950	NATO established
<b>Pakistan</b>	1979	Ex-President Zulfikar Ali Bhutto executed; the terrorist group Al-Zulfikar is named for him
<b>Senegal</b>	1960	Independence Day
<b>Syria</b>	1947	Founding of Ba'th Party

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**5****Sunday**

<b>China</b>	1976	Tiananmen riots in wake of death of Zhou Enlai
<b>West Germany</b>	1986	Bomb at La Belle discotheque in West Berlin kills an American soldier and a Turkish woman, wounds 200 others. A second US serviceman later died of his wounds

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**6**

**Monday**

**Thailand**

Chakri Day (founding of Thai royal dynasty)

**7**

**Tuesday**

**Ireland**

1916

Beginning of insurrection that led to independence

**Libya**

1976

Student revolution

**Yugoslavia**

1963

Republic Day (commemorates adoption of current constitution)

**8**

**Wednesday**

**Iraq**

1947

Founding of ruling Ba'th Party

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**9**

**Thursday**

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**10**

**Friday**

<b>Israel, Lebanon</b>	1973	Israeli raid on Beirut that killed several high-ranking Palestinian terrorists
<b>Yugoslavia</b>	1941	Proclamation of Croatian independence

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**11**

**Saturday**

<b>Israel</b>	1974	Attack by Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command (PFLP-GC) on Kiryat Shemona leaves 18 dead, 16 wounded
<b>Palestinians</b>		Founding of PFLP-GC
<b>Uganda</b>	1979	Liberation Day (fall of Idi Amin)

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**12**

**Sunday**

<b>Liberia</b>	1980	National Redemption Day (celebrates coup overthrowing Tolbert government)
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**13****Monday**

<b>India</b>	1699 1919	Guru Gobind Singh founds Sikhism as a militaristic religion British troops fire on Indian civilians in Amritsar (commemorated as "Jallian Wala Garden Massacre")
<b>Lebanon</b>	1975	Phalange militiamen attack bus, triggering Lebanese civil war
<b>Sudan</b>	1985	President Nimeiri ousted in coup

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**14****Tuesday**

<b>Hungary</b>	1849	Independence Day
<b>Jewish world</b>		<i>Pesach</i> (first day of Passover)
<b>Latin America</b>	1890	Pan-American Day (first international conference of American states)
<b>Libya</b>	1986	US planes bomb Tripoli and Benghazi in retaliation for Libyan involvement in anti-US terrorism
<b>Niger</b>	1974	Accession of President Kountche
<b>Togo</b>	1967	Assumption of presidency by Gen. Gnassingbe Eyadema

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**15****Wednesday**

<b>Ireland</b>	1916	Easter Uprising
<b>North Korea</b>	1912	Birthday of Kim Il-song
<b>Sudan</b>	1986	US Embassy communicator wounded in Khartoum; attack probably inspired by US raid on Libya on previous day

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**16****Thursday**

<b>Jerusalem, West Bank</b>	1980	<b>Palestinian Prisoners' Day</b>
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**17****Friday**

<b>Cambodia</b>	1975	<b>Liberation Day (Khmer Rouge victory)</b>
<b>Cuba</b>	1961	<b>Air Defense Day (commemorates Air Force success against Bay of Pigs invaders)</b>
<b>Lebanon</b>	1986	<b>Bodies of American hostage Peter Kilburn and two British hostages discovered in Beirut</b>
<b>Libya, United Kingdom</b>	1984	<b>Libyan radicals fire on protesters outside People's Bureau in London, killing a police-woman and wounding 11 others; start of siege by British security forces</b>
<b>Syria</b>	1946	<b>Independence Day</b>
<b>United Kingdom</b>	1986	<b>Jordanian Nisar Hindawi attempts to bomb El Al aircraft by placing device in girlfriend's luggage</b>

**18****Saturday**

<b>Ireland</b>	1949	<b>Inauguration of republic</b>
<b>Lebanon</b>	1983	<b>US Embassy bombed by Islamic Jihad; 63 persons killed</b>
<b>Panama, United States</b>	1978	<b>US ratification of Panama Canal Treaty</b>
<b>Turkey</b>	1986	<b>Two Libyans arrested attempting grenade attack on US officers' club in Ankara</b>
<b>Zimbabwe</b>	1980	<b>Independence Day</b>

**19****Sunday**

<b>Christian world</b>		<b>Easter Sunday</b>
<b>Colombia</b>	1970 1973	<b>Populist group National Popular Alliance (ANAPO) did poorly in national elections ANAPO extremists founded 19th of April Movement (M-19)</b>
<b>Cuba</b>	1961	<b>Day of Victory at Playa Giron (Bay of Pigs)</b>
<b>Namibia</b>	1960	<b>Founding of South-West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO)</b>
<b>Sierra Leone</b>	1971	<b>Proclamation of republic</b>
<b>South Korea</b>	1960	<b>Unrest triggered by student uprising forced President Syngman Rhee to resign and leave country. Usually commemorated by student demonstrations</b>

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**Monday**

**Turkey**                      1986                      Three Palestinians arrested targeting US airbase and US citizens near Adana

**21**

**Tuesday**

**Greece**                      1967                      National Resistance Day (anniversary of military coup)  
**Jewish world**                      Last day of Passover

**22**

**Wednesday**

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**23****Thursday**

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**24****Friday**

<b>Armenians</b>	1915	National Day of Sorrow (commemorates Turkish massacre)
<b>Dominican Republic</b>	1965	Beginning of civil war
<b>The Gambia</b>	1970	Republic Day

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**25****Saturday**

<b>Egypt, Israel</b>	1982	Sinai Day (commemorates Israeli withdrawal)
<b>Italy</b>	1945	Liberation Day
<b>North Yemen</b>	1986	US Embassy communicator wounded in Sanaa; attack probably inspired by 14 April US raid on Libya
<b>Portugal</b>	1974	Revolution Day; Liberty Day (celebrates military coup that overthrew rightist government and paved way for democratically elected government). Leftwing terrorist group Popular Forces of 25 April (FP-25) takes its name from this date
<b>Swaziland</b>	1967	Kingdom constituted

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**26****Sunday**

<b>Israel</b>		Commemoration of the Holocaust
<b>Jordan</b>	1949	Transjordan becomes Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
<b>Tanzania</b>	1964	United Republic of Tanzania formed through union of Republic of Tanganyika and People's Republic of Zanzibar

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May 1987**

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**Monday**

<b>Afghanistan</b>	1978	Conservative Daoud regime ousted by leftwing coup
<b>Austria</b>	1945	Second Republic established
<b>Sierra Leone</b>	1961	Independence Day
<b>Togo</b>	1960	Independence Day

**28**

**Tuesday**

<b>Colombia</b>	1983	Death of M-19 leader Jaime Bateman in plane crash
<b>Dominican Republic</b>	1965	US military intervention
<b>Iraq</b>	1937	Birthday of Saddam Husayn

**29**

**Wednesday**

<b>Colombia</b>	1967	Founding of People's Liberation Army (EPL)
<b>India</b>	1986	Sikh militants declare independent republic of Khalistan at Golden Temple in Amritsar; militants expelled from temple next day
<b>Japan</b>	1926	Emperor Hirohito's birthday
<b>Muslim world</b>		Approximate date beginning <i>Ramadan</i> (month of fasting)

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**30****Thursday**

<b>Guatemala</b>	1981 1982	Bombing of storage tank of US oil company in Guatemala City by FP-31 Bombing of US fast-food restaurant in Guatemala City by FP-31
<b>United Kingdom</b>	1980	Iranian Embassy seized by radicals; hostages eventually rescued by Special Air Service team
<b>Vietnam</b>	1975	North Vietnamese capture Saigon

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**1****Friday**

<b>El Salvador</b>		The first week of May contains several dates important to leftwing and rightwing elements; consequently, political violence tends to peak during this period
<b>Peru</b>	1980	Destruction of electoral material in Chuschi, Cuzco Province, marks beginning of armed struggle by Sendero Luminoso; anniversary is commemorated by acts of violence throughout May
<b>Socialist world</b>	1888	May Day (commemorates labor violence in Chicago)

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**2****Saturday**

<b>Argentina, United Kingdom</b>	1982	Argentine cruiser Belgrano sunk by British submarine in Falklands war
<b>Jordan</b>	1953	King Hussein assumes constitutional power

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**3****Sunday**

<b>Sri Lanka</b>	1986	Air Lanka jetliner bombed by Tamil separatists at Colombo airport; 16 persons killed, 40 others wounded
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**4****Monday**

**China** 1919 Students form Anti-Japanese Movement

**Israel** Independence Day

**Japan** 1986 Chukaku-ha (Nucleus Faction) fires five homemade rockets at opening of Tokyo Economic Summit; no casualties

**Namibia** 1978 Kassinga Day (commemorates raid by South African forces that left hundreds dead)

**5****Tuesday**

**Ethiopia** 1941 Liberation Day

**Mexico** 1862 *Cinco de Mayo* (commemorates victory over forces of Napoleon III)

**Netherlands** 1945 Liberation Day

**Northern Ireland** 1981 Death of Provisional Irish Republican Army (IRA) member Bobby Sands in hunger strike

**Paraguay** 1954 Coup against elected government of President Federico Chavez by Gen. Alfredo Stroessner Mattiauda

**West Germany** 1955 West Germany becomes member of NATO

**6****Wednesday**

**Iran** 1900 Birthday of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini

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**7****Thursday**

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**8****Friday**

<b>Czechoslovakia</b>	1945	Liberation Day
<b>East Germany</b>	1945	Liberation Day
<b>El Salvador</b>	1979	On steps of San Salvador cathedral, police fired into crowd demonstrating solidarity with leftwing activists who had occupied French and Costa Rican Embassies; at least 25 demonstrators killed
<b>Libya</b>	1984	Armed dissidents attack Qadhafi's Azizziya barracks
<b>West Germany</b>	1945	Capitulation of Third Reich

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**9****Saturday**

<b>Albania</b>	1945	Victory Day
<b>Poland</b>	1945	Victory Day
<b>Romania</b>	1881	Independence Day
<b>USSR</b>	1945	Victory Day
<b>West Germany</b>	1976	Suicide in prison of Ulrike Meinhof, founding member of Red Army Faction (RAF)
<b>Yugoslavia</b>	1945	Victory Day

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**10****Sunday**

<b>India</b>	1985	Night of Sikh bombings leaves 80 dead, 200 wounded in New Delhi, other cities
<b>Jordan</b>		Arab Resistance Day

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**11**

**Monday**

**Chile**                      1983                      Anti-Pinochet protests put down forcefully by government  
                                         1984                      Wave of bombings against government targets

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**12**

**Tuesday**

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**13**

**Wednesday**

**Vatican City**                      1981                      Attempt on life of Pope John Paul II by Mehmet Ali Agca

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**14****Thursday**

<b>Israel</b>	1948	Republic Day (declaration of independence)
<b>Middle East</b>	1948	Beginning of first Arab-Israeli war
<b>Paraguay</b>	1811	Independence Day
<b>Sri Lanka</b>	1985	Tamil separatists kill more than 150 persons in machinegun attack on Buddhist shrine at Anuradhapura

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**15****Friday**

<b>Palestinians</b>	1948	Palestine Day (end of UN mandate); 15 May Organization, founded in 1979 by remnant of Special Operations Group of Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), takes its name from this event
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**16****Saturday**

<b>Peru</b>	1985	Sendero Luminoso group marks fifth anniversary with wave of bombings, including US Ambassador's residence and Chinese Embassy
<b>Sudan</b>	1983	Founding of Sudanese People's Liberation Army (SPLA) and Liberation Movement (SPLM)

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**17****Sunday**

<b>Lebanon, Israel</b>	1983	Signing of troop withdrawal accord (known as 17 May agreement)
<b>Norway</b>	1814	Constitution Day (independence day)

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**18****Monday**

<b>Northern Ireland</b>	1981	Death of Provisional IRA hunger striker Raymond McCreech
<b>Peru</b>	1980	Beginning of armed struggle by Maoist group Sendero Luminoso (Shining Path)
<b>South Korea</b>	1980	Civilian uprising in Kwangju against military rule; usually marked by student demonstrations

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**19****Tuesday**

<b>Cuba</b>	1895	Death of Jose Marti
<b>Vietnam</b>	1890	Ho Chi Minh's birthday

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**20****Wednesday**

<b>Cameroon</b>	1972	National Day (declaration of republic)
<b>Japan</b>	1978	Opening of New Tokyo International Airport (Narita); annual focus of demonstrations and terrorist attacks
<b>Saudi Arabia</b>	1927	Independence Day
<b>Western Sahara</b>	1973	Polisario begins armed struggle

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**21**

**Thursday**

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**Friday**

**Sri Lanka**                      1972                      **Republic Day**

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**23**

**Saturday**

**China**                              1951                      **Tibet declared to be under Chinese sovereignty**  
**West Germany**                      1949                      **Proclamation of federal republic**

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**24**

**Sunday**

**Buddhist world**                              **Birthday of Gautama Buddha**

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**25****Monday**

<b>Africa</b>	1963	African Freedom Day; Day of Africa (founding of Organization of African Unity)
<b>Argentina</b>	1810	Beginning of revolution against Spain
<b>Bermuda</b>	1967	Bermuda Day (constitution adopted)
<b>Colombia</b>	1965	Founding of Communist Party of Colombia/Marxist-Leninist (PCC/ML), now-defunct parent organization of terrorist group People's Liberation Army (EPL)
<b>Jordan</b>	1923	Independence Day
	1946	Constitutional monarchy established
<b>Yugoslavia</b>	1892	Birthday of Josip Broz Tito

**26****Tuesday**

<b>Guyana</b>	1966	Independence Day
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**27****Wednesday**

<b>Israel</b>		Jerusalem Day
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**28****Thursday****France, French  
Caribbean**

1983

Caribbean Revolutionary Alliance (ARC) surfaces with 17 coordinated bombings

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**29****Friday****Muslim world**Approximate date of *Id al-Fitr* (feast celebrating end of *Ramadan*)

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**30****Saturday****Afghanistan**

1919

Independence from Great Britain achieved

**Bangladesh**

1981

Assassination of Ziaur Rahman

**Dominican Republic**

1961

Liberty Day (assassination of Gen. Raphael Trujillo)

**Israel**

1972

Massacre at Lod Airport by members of Japanese Red Army

**Nigeria**

1967

Declaration of independence by Biafra

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**31****Sunday****South Africa**

1910

Union Day (four provinces merged to form Union of South Africa)

1961

Proclamation of republic

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**June 1987**

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**1****Monday**

<b>Cameroon</b>	1972	Proclamation of republic
<b>Greece</b>	1973	Proclamation of republic
<b>Kenya</b>	1963	Madaraka Day (beginning of self-government)
<b>Palestinians</b>	1976	During this month, Syria entered the civil conflict in Lebanon on the side of the Christian Phalange and against the Palestinians and their Muslim allies; in response, Palestinian renegade Abu Nidal renamed his terrorist group (then based in Iraq) the Black June Organization and began attacking Syrian targets
<b>Tunisia</b>	1955	Victory Day (national day)

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**2****Tuesday**

<b>Italy</b>	1946	National Day (commemorates referendum in which Italian voters chose republican form of government)
<b>West Germany</b>	1967	Leftist student Benno Ohnesorg killed during demonstration in West Berlin. The terrorist group 2 June Movement (remnants of which eventually joined the Red Army Faction—RAF) takes its name from this incident

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**3****Wednesday**

<b>United Kingdom, Israel, Lebanon</b>	1982	Israeli Ambassador shot and critically wounded in London, triggering Israeli invasion of Lebanon
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**4** **Thursday**

<b>Ghana</b>	1979	Jerry Rawlings takes power for the first time
<b>Israel, Lebanon</b>	1982	First Israeli bombing of Beirut
<b>Tonga</b>	1970	Independence Day

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**5** **Friday**

<b>Egypt</b>	1975	Reopening of Suez Canal
<b>Honduras</b>	1965	Constitutional republic reestablished
<b>Iran</b>	1963	National Day of Mourning; Revolution Day; Day of Uprising (commemorates arrest of Ayatollah Khomeini by police under the Shah)
<b>Middle East</b>	1967	Beginning of Six-Day War
<b>Seychelles</b>	1977	Liberation Day (overthrow of President Mancham by Albert Rene)

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**6** **Saturday**

<b>India</b>	1984	Army storms Sikh Golden Temple in Amritsar
<b>Israel, Lebanon</b>	1982	Israeli forces invade Lebanon

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**7** **Sunday**

<b>Chad</b>	1982	Hisene Habre seizes N'djamena
<b>Greece</b>	1975	Republican constitution adopted
<b>Peru</b>	1880	National Flag Day (commemorates Battle of Arica)
	1986	Sendero Luminoso sets off three bombs at Flag Day ceremonies presided over by President and Defense Minister; no casualties

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**8** **Monday**

<b>Palestinians</b>	1967	Founding of Palestinian terrorist group Sa'iqā (Thunderbolt)
<b>United Kingdom</b>		Queen Elizabeth II's birthday (national day)

**9** **Tuesday**

<b>Oman</b>	1965	Popular Front for the Liberation of Oman (PFLO) begins armed struggle
<b>South Africa</b>	1983	Three African National Congress (ANC) terrorists hanged
<b>Sudan</b>	1969	Proclamation of southern autonomy

**10** **Wednesday**

<b>Argentina</b>	1829	Malvinas Day (date from which Argentina claims sovereignty over Falklands)
<b>Portugal</b>		Portugal Day

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**11****Thursday**

<b>Libya</b>	1970	Evacuation Day (transfer of US bases)
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**12****Friday**

<b>Hungary</b>	1948	Founding of Socialist Workers' Party
<b>Philippines</b>	1898	Independence Day (proclamation of republic)

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**13****Saturday**

<b>North Yemen</b>	1974	Coup by Col. Ibrahim al-Hamidi (accession of Second Corrective Movement)
<b>Saudi Arabia</b>	1982	Death of King Khalid and accession of King Fahd

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**14****Saturday**

<b>Argentina, United Kingdom</b>	1982	Argentine surrender ends Falklands conflict
<b>El Salvador</b>	1975	Founding of Armed Forces of National Resistance (FARN)
<b>United States, Greece, Lebanon</b>	1985	TWA jet hijacked from Athens. After several trips between Beirut and Algiers, it remained in Beirut after 16 June. One US serviceman killed; all other passengers and crew eventually freed unharmed

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**15****Monday**

**El Salvador** 1979 Communist Party, under Soviet and Cuban pressure, adopts policy of armed struggle; its fighting elements are called Armed Forces of Liberation (FAL)

**Japan, United States** 1960 Signing of Japan–United States Security Treaty. Violent protests by leftist opponents of the treaty were common on this date through the 1960s

**Nicaragua** 1979 Somoza regime National Guard kills 185 insurrectionists near US Embassy

**16****Tuesday**

**South Africa** 1976 Riots in Soweto

**17****Wednesday**

**East and West Germany** 1953 Berlin uprising

**France** 1983 Mysterious disappearance of Corsican separatist leader Guy Orsoni

**Iceland** 1944 Independence Day (anniversary of establishment of republic)

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**18**

**Thursday**

**Egypt**                      1953                      Evacuation Day (proclamation of republic)

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**19**

**Friday**

**Algeria**                      1965                      Revolutionary Recovery Day (overthrow of Ahmed Ben Bella)  
**El Salvador**                      1985                      Killing of six US citizens in Zona Rosa section of San Salvador by urban commandos of Central American Workers' Revolutionary Party (PRTC)  
**Kuwait**                      1961                      Independence Day

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**Saturday**

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**22****Monday**

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**23****Tuesday**

**India, Canada**      1985      Air India 747 downed by probable bomb over North Atlantic, killing 329; Sikh extremists based in Canada most likely perpetrators

**Japan**      1985      Bomb explodes in baggage handling area at Narita Airport, killing two employees; believed connected to bombing of Indian airliner over North Atlantic on same night

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**24****Wednesday**

**Spain**      King's Day

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**25** **Thursday**

<b>Mozambique</b>	1964 1975	Founding of the Front for the Liberation of Mozambique (FRELIMO) Independence Day
<b>North and South Korea</b>	1950	North Korea invades South Korea, beginning Korean war

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**26** **Friday**

<b>Madagascar</b>	1960	Independence Day
<b>Somalia</b>	1960	Independence Day (northern region)
<b>South Africa</b>	1955 1985	African National Congress (ANC) adopts political manifesto ANC blows up gasoline depot, power station, and water pipeline
<b>Spain</b>	1986	Bomb intended for El Al flight explodes prematurely at Madrid airport, injuring 13 persons

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**27** **Saturday**

<b>Djibouti</b>	1977	Independence Day
<b>France</b>	1975	International terrorist "Carlos" (Ilyich Ramirez Sanchez, a Venezuelan) surfaces by killing two policemen in Paris
<b>Iran</b>	1981	Bombing of legislature kills Prime Minister Beheshti and 70 others

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**28** **Sunday**

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**June--  
July 1987**

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**29**

**Monday**

**Seychelles**                      1976                      **Independence Day**

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**Tuesday**

**Zaire**                              1960                      **Independence Day**

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**Wednesday**

**Argentina**                      1974                      **Death of President Juan Peron**

**Burundi, Rwanda**              1962                      **Independence Day**

**Canada**                              1867                      **Dominion Day**

**China**                                1921                      **Founding of Communist Party**

**Ghana**                                1960                      **Republic Day**

**Peru**                                      **Since 1980, Sendero Luminoso terrorists have attacked foreign targets during July at a rate roughly triple that of the rest of the year**

**Somalia**                              1960                      **Republic Day; Independence Day (southern region)**

**Sri Lanka**                              **Perahera festival in Kandy (weeklong Buddhist festival)**

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**2****Thursday**

<b>Vietnam</b>	1976	Unification of North and South into Socialist Republic of Vietnam
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**3****Friday**

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**4****Saturday**

<b>Israel, Uganda, Palestinians</b>	1976	Israeli raid on airport at Entebbe frees hostages from PFLP skyjackers
<b>Lebanon</b>	1986	Syrian Army units enter West Beirut
<b>Philippines</b>	1946	Republic Day (date on which Philippines became an independent republic)
<b>United States</b>	1776	Independence Day

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**5****Sunday**

<b>Algeria</b>	1962	Independence Day
<b>Cape Verde</b>	1975	Independence Day
<b>Pakistan</b>	1977	Coup by Gen. Zia-ul-Haq (overthrowing regime of Zulfikar Ali Bhutto)
<b>Rwanda</b>	1973	Coup by Maj. Gen. Juvenal Habyarimana inaugurates Second Republic
<b>Venezuela</b>	1811	Independence Day

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**6** **Monday**

<b>Comoro Islands</b>	1975	Declaration of independence
<b>Malawi</b>	1964	Independence Day
	1966	Republic Day

**7** **Tuesday**

<b>Solomon Islands</b>	1978	Independence Day
<b>Yugoslavia</b>		Uprising Day (state holiday in Socialist Republic of Serbia)

**8** **Wednesday**

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**9****Thursday**

<b>Argentina</b>	1816	Independence Day
<b>Morocco</b>	1929	Birthday of King Hassan II
<b>West Germany</b>	1986	Red Army Faction assassinates Siemens executive Dr. Karl-Heinz Beckurts

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**10****Friday**

<b>The Bahamas</b>	1973	Independence Day
<b>Italy</b>	1986	Palestine Liberation Front leader Muhammad Abbas, 10 other persons convicted in Achille Lauro hijacking trial
<b>Mauritania</b>	1978	Armed Forces Day (commemorates military coup)

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**11****Saturday**

<b>Mongolia</b>	1921	Revolution Day (celebrates independence from China)
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**12****Sunday**

<b>Kiribati</b>	1979	Independence Day
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	1690	Orangemen's Day (Protestants march to commemorate victory in Battle of the Boyne)
<b>Sao Tome and Principe</b>	1975	Independence Day

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**13****Monday**

Yugoslavia

Uprising Day (state holiday in Socialist Republic of Montenegro)

**14****Tuesday**

France

1789

Bastille Day

Iraq

1958

Republic Day (commemorates Army coup d'etat that overthrew monarchy and established republic)

Spain

1986

Basque group ETA bombs Guardia Civil bus; 10 policemen killed, 55 other persons wounded, including 11 bystanders

**15****Wednesday**

Brunei

1946

Sultan's birthday

Burma

1948

Communist Party founded

Italy

1983

Four members of Italian counterterrorist team convicted of mistreating Red Brigades prisoners captured during rescue of General Dozier

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**16**

**Thursday**

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**17**

**Friday**

<b>Afghanistan</b>	1973	<b>Republic Day</b> (commemorates date Muhammad Daoud led military coup overthrowing his cousin King Zahir Shah and establishing republic)
<b>Colombia</b>	1930	<b>Founding of Communist Party</b>
<b>Iraq</b>	1968	<b>Revolution Day</b> (overthrow of Qasim regime by Ba'th Party and its allies)

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**Saturday**

<b>Spain</b>	1936	<b>Uprising Day</b> (beginning of Civil War); <b>Generalissimo Franco's Day</b>
<b>Uruguay</b>	1830	<b>Proclamation of republic</b>

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**Sunday**

<b>Nicaragua</b>	1979	<b>Sandinista provisional Junta of National Reconstruction assumes office</b>
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**20****Monday**

**Colombia** 1810 Independence Day

**Cyprus** 1974 Turkish Cypriot Peace and Freedom Day (commemorates intervention by Turkish forces)

**Sri Lanka** 1983 Sinhalese backlash sparked by terrorist acts of extremist Tamil separatists leaves hundreds of Tamils dead and thousands homeless

**21****Tuesday**

**Belgium** 1831 Independence Day

**Northern Ireland** 1972 Bloody Friday—20 Provisional IRA bombings in Belfast kill 11 and injure 120

**22****Wednesday**

**Poland** 1944 Liberation Day  
1952 People's Republic established

**Yugoslavia** Uprising Day (state holiday in Socialist Republic of Slovenia)

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**23****Thursday**

<b>Egypt</b>	1952	National Day (commemorates military coup ousting King Farouk)
<b>Greece</b>	1974	Resignation of military junta; return of government to civilian rule
<b>Oman</b>	1970	Accession Day of Sultan Qaboos

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**24****Friday**

<b>Ecuador, Venezuela</b>	1783	Birthday of Simon Bolivar
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**25****Saturday**

<b>Netherlands</b>	1648	Independence Day
<b>Sri Lanka</b>	1983	Killing of Tamil prisoners in Colombo's Welikade jail exacerbates communal hatred
<b>Tunisia</b>	1957	Proclamation of republic

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**26****Sunday**

<b>Argentina</b>	1952	Death of Eva Peron
<b>Cuba</b>	1953	Day of National Rebellion (commemorates attack on Moncada Barracks by 26th of July Movement)
<b>Egypt</b>	1956	Nationalization of Suez Canal
<b>Liberia</b>	1847	Independence Day
<b>Maldives</b>	1965	Independence Day

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**27****Monday**

<b>Austria</b>	1955	Restoration of sovereignty under postwar Four Powers' Agreement
<b>North Korea</b>	1953	Korean Victory Day (date of armistice)
<b>Yugoslavia</b>		Uprising Day (state holiday in Socialist Republics of Croatia and Bosnia)

**28****Tuesday**

<b>Peru</b>	1821	Independence Day
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**29****Wednesday**

<b>Nigeria</b>	1966	Coup d'etat by Col. Yakubu Gowon overthrows military government of Maj. Gen. Aguiyi-Ironsi and establishes Federal Military Government
	1975	Coup d'etat by Brig. Murtala Ramat Muhammad overthrows General Gowon and establishes Federal Executive Council

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**30** **Thursday**  
Vanuatu 1980 Independence Day

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**31** **Friday**  
Spain, France 1969 St. Ignacius' Day (patron saint of Basques)  
Founding of Basque Fatherland and Liberty (ETA)

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**1** **Saturday**  
Benin 1960 Independence Day  
Switzerland 1291 Independence Day

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**2** **Sunday**  
Italy 1980 Bologna train station bombed; killing 85 persons; Neofascist Armed Revolutionary  
Nuclei believed responsible  
Vietnam 1964 Gulf of Tonkin incident  
Yugoslavia 1903 Uprising Day (state holiday in Socialist Republic of Macedonia)

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**Monday**

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<b>Burkina</b>	1983	Coup overthrowing previous military regime (led to 1984 renaming of Upper Volta)
<b>Cyprus, United Kingdom</b>		British base at Akrotiri attacked with rockets, mortars, and small arms by unknown terrorists
<b>Equatorial Guinea</b>	1979 1980	Coup d'etat (Macias regime overthrown) National Day
<b>Niger</b>	1960	Independence Day
<b>Tunisia</b>	1903	President Bourguiba's birthday

**Tuesday**

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<b>Burkina</b>	1984	Another coup overthrows ruling military regime
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**Wednesday**

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<b>The Bahamas, Grenada, Jamaica</b>	1962	Emancipation Day (independence from United Kingdom)
<b>Burkina</b>	1960	Independence Day

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<b>6</b>			<b>Thursday</b>
<b>Bolivia</b>	1825	Independence Day	
<b>Muslim world</b>		Approximate date of <i>Id al-Adha</i> (commemorates Abraham's willingness to sacrifice his son)	
<b>United Arab Emirates</b>	1966	Accession Day of Shaikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nayhan, Emir of Abu Dhabi	

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<b>7</b>			<b>Friday</b>
<b>Ivory Coast</b>	1960	Independence Day	

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<b>8</b>			<b>Saturday</b>
<b>Guatemala</b>	1983	Coup by Gen. Oscar Mejia Victores overthrows President Rios Montt	
<b>West Germany</b>	1985	Red Army Faction and French Action Directe bomb Rhein Main Airport, killing two Americans	

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<b>9</b>			<b>Sunday</b>
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	1971	Internment without trial introduced	

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**10**

**Monday**

**Ecuador** 1809 Independence Day (national day)  
**India** 1986 Sikhs assassinate General Vaidya, who led troops in original storming of Golden Temple, 6 June 1984

**11**

**Tuesday**

**Chad** 1960 Independence Day  
**Ecuador** 1983 Montoneros Alfaristas steal bust of Gen. Eloy Alfaro; recognized as founding date of Alfaro Vive, Carajo! (Alfaro Lives, Damn it!)  
**Jordan** 1952 Accession Day of King Hussein

**12**

**Wednesday**

**Northern Ireland** 1689 Protestant commemorative marches mark day apprentice boys locked gates of Derry against James II's forces

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**13****Thursday**

<b>Central African Republic</b>	1960	Independence Day
<b>Cuba</b>	1927	Fidel Castro's birthday

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**14****Friday**

<b>Bahrain</b>	1971	Independence Day
<b>Pakistan</b>	1947	Independence Day

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**15****Saturday**

<b>Bangladesh</b>	1975	Military coup and assassination of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman
<b>Congo</b>	1960	Independence Day (overthrow of Youlou regime)
<b>India</b>	1947	Independence Day
<b>North and South Korea</b>	1945	Liberation Day
<b>Turkey, Kurdish Regions</b>	1986	Turkish forces raid camps of Kurdish Workers' Party and Kurdish Democratic Party in Iraq, causing hundreds of casualties

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**16****Sunday**

<b>Cyprus</b>	1960	Independence Day
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**17**

**Monday**

**Gabon**                    1960                    Independence Day  
**Indonesia**                1945                    Independence Day (proclamation of republic)

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**18**

**Tuesday**

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**19**

**Wednesday**

**Czechoslovakia**        1968                    Invasion by Soviet and Warsaw Pact troops

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<b>20</b>			<b>Thursday</b>
<b>Morocco</b>	1953	<b>King's and People's Revolution</b>	
<b>Senegal</b>	1960	<b>Independence Day (withdrawal from Mali Federation)</b>	

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<b>21</b>			<b>Friday</b>
<b>Afghanistan</b>	1919	<b>Independence Day</b>	
<b>Muslim world</b>	1969	<i>Al-Aqsa Day (anniversary of fire that desecrated mosque in Jerusalem)</i>	
<b>Philippines</b>	1983	<b>Assassination of Benigno Aquino by government security forces</b>	

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<b>22</b>			<b>Saturday</b>
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<b>23</b>			<b>Sunday</b>
<b>Romania</b>	1944	<b>Liberation Day</b>	

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**24**

**Monday**

**25**

**Tuesday**

<b>France</b>	1944	Liberation Day
<b>Muslim world</b>		<i>Ra's al-Sannah</i> (Islamic new year 1408)
<b>Uruguay</b>	1825	Independence Day

**26**

**Wednesday**

<b>Hong Kong</b>	1945	Liberation Day
<b>Namibia</b>	1966	Namibia Day (South-West Africa came under UN control)

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**27**

**Thursday**

<b>Nigeria</b>	1985	<b>Buhari regime overthrown by coup</b>
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	1979	<b>Assassination of Earl Mountbatten by Provisional Irish Republican Army (IRA)</b>

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**28**

**Friday**

<b>Colombia</b>	1985	<b>M-19 guerrilla leader Ivan Marino Ospina killed by security forces</b>
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**29**

**Saturday**

<b>Czechoslovakia</b>	1944	<b>Slovak nationalist uprising</b>
<b>United States, Palestinians</b>	1969	<b>First hijacking of US airliner by Palestinians</b>

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**Sunday**

## August- September 1987

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### Monday

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<b>Libya, Shia world</b>	1978	Lebanese Shia cleric Imam Musa Sadr disappears in Libya
<b>Malaysia</b>	1957	Freedom Day; Malaysia Day (independence from United Kingdom)
<b>Poland</b>	1980	Solidarity trade union founded
<b>Trinidad and Tobago</b>	1962	Independence Day

### Tuesday

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<b>Central African Republic</b>	1981	Coup brings Kolingba regime to power
<b>Ethiopia</b>	1961	Eritreans begin armed struggle
<b>Libya</b>	1969 1973	Coup overthrows monarchy Oil companies nationalized
<b>Palestinians</b>	1970	During this month, the Jordanian Army drove the Palestinian guerrillas out of the country because they would not stop attacking Israel from Jordanian soil; in response, the largest group, Fatah, established the covert Black September Organization, best known for its attack on the Israeli athletes at the 1972 Olympics in Munich
<b>Singapore</b>	1963	Independence Day (secession from Federation of Malaysia)
<b>West Germany, Europe</b>	1939	Antiwar Day (anniversary of Nazi invasion of Poland)

### Wednesday

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<b>South Africa</b>		Settlers' Day
<b>Vietnam</b>	1945	Independence Day

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<b>3</b>			<b>Thursday</b>
<b>Belgium</b>	1944	Liberation Day	
<b>Peru</b>	1982	Death of Sendero Luminoso leader Edith Lagos	
<b>Qatar</b>	1971	Independence Day	
<b>Vietnam</b>	1969	Death of Ho Chi Minh	

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<b>4</b>			<b>Friday</b>
<b>Chile</b>	1970	Election of President Salvador Allende	
<b>France</b>	1986	First of six bombings in Paris carried out by Lebanese Armed Revolutionary Faction that killed nine persons, wounded 163 over next two weeks	
<b>Iran, Iraq</b>	1980	Date Iraq charges Iran started war	
<b>Pakistan</b>	1986	Four Palestinian hijackers seize Pan Am jet in Karachi, killing one US citizen. Twenty-one more passengers killed before Pakistani authorities arrest hijackers later that day	

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<b>5</b>			<b>Saturday</b>
<b>Italy, Israel</b>	1973	El Al plane rocketed by Palestinians in Rome	
<b>Senegal</b>	1960	Declaration of republic	
<b>United States, Israel, Egypt</b>		Beginning of Camp David meetings	
<b>West Germany</b>	1972	Munich Olympics massacre: Black September Organization kills 11 Israelis; five Arab terrorists and a West German policeman also die	

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<b>6</b>			<b>Sunday</b>
<b>Palestinians</b>	1970	Beginning of four-day multiple airline hijacking by PFLP: US plane destroyed in Cairo; second US plane, Swissair DC-8, and British DC-8 all destroyed in Jordan; attempted hijacking of El Al plane	
<b>Swaziland</b>	1973	Independence Day	
<b>Turkey</b>	1986	Two Palestinians massacre 22 Jews in machinegun and grenade attack on Istanbul synagogue	

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**7** **Monday**

- Brazil**                    1822            Independence Day
- Chile**                    1986            Unsuccessful assassination attempt on President Augusto Pinochet

**8** **Tuesday**

- India**                    1982            Death of Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah, the "Lion of Kashmir"
- Lithuania SSR**        1918            National Day (beginning of independence from Russia during period between world wars)

**9** **Wednesday**

- Bulgaria**                1944            Liberation Day (national day)
- China**                    1976            Death of Mao Zedong
- North Korea**            1948            National Day

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<b>10</b>			<b>Thursday</b>
<b>Belize</b>	1798	National Day (Battle of St. George's Bay)	
<b>El Salvador</b>	1985	Kidnaping of President Duarte's daughter by leftist guerrillas	
<b>Guinea-Bissau</b>	1974	Republic Day (independence from Portugal)	
<b>Turkey</b>	1922	Founding of Turkish Communist Party	

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<b>11</b>			<b>Friday</b>
<b>Chile</b>	1973	Anniversary of coup overthrowing Salvador Allende by military junta led by Augusto Pinochet	
<b>Ethiopia</b>	1952	Return of Eritrea from Italian and British control under UN resolution	
<b>Philippines</b>	1917	Birthday of former President Ferdinand Marcos	

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<b>12</b>			<b>Saturday</b>
<b>Ethiopia</b>	1974	National Day (commemorates overthrow of Haile Selassie)	

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<b>13</b>			<b>Sunday</b>
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**14**

**Monday**

**Lebanon**                      1982                      Assassination of Phalangist leader and Lebanese President-elect Bashir Gemayel

**15**

**Tuesday**

**Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua**                      1821                      Independence Day

**Lebanon**                      1982                      Israeli invasion of Muslim West Beirut

**16**

**Wednesday**

**Mexico**                      1810                      Independence Day

**Papua New Guinea**                      1975                      Independence Day

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**17****Thursday**

<b>Lebanon</b>	1982	Massacre in Shatila and Sabra refugee camps (17 September Organization takes its name from this event)
<b>United States, Israel, Egypt</b>	1978	Signing of Camp David Agreement

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**18****Friday**

<b>Chile</b>	1810	Independence Day
<b>Costa Rica</b>	1502	Discovery Day
<b>Peru</b>	1986	Members of Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement bomb Chilean Embassy, Ambassador's residence in Lima

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**19****Saturday**

<b>St. Christopher and Nevis</b>	1983	Independence Day
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**20****Sunday**

<b>Iran, Iraq</b>	1980	Usually recognized date of outbreak of Iran-Iraq war
<b>Lebanon</b>	1984	Bombing of US Embassy annex

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**21****Monday**

<b>Belize</b>	1981	Independence Day
<b>Malta</b>	1964	Independence Day
<b>Philippines</b>	1972	Martial law decreed (later rescinded)
	1985	Militia disperses demonstrators in Escalante, killing 20 (dubbed "Escalante massacre" by opposition)

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**22****Tuesday**

<b>Mali</b>	1960	Independence Day (proclamation of republic)
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**23****Wednesday**

<b>New Zealand</b>	1907	Dominion Day
<b>Saudi Arabia</b>	1964	National Day (commemorates unification of kingdom in 1932)

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**24**

**Thursday**

<b>Ghana</b>	1979	Inauguration of Third Republic
<b>Jewish world</b>		<i>Rosh Hashanah</i> (new year) begins; celebration ends on 26 September

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**25**

**Friday**

<b>Egypt, Jordan</b>	1984	Resumption of diplomatic relations
<b>Mozambique</b>	1964	Revolution Day

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**26**

**Saturday**

<b>North Yemen</b>	1962	Proclamation of republic (anniversary of revolution)
<b>South Yemen</b>	1962	National Day

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**27**

**Sunday**

<b>Spain</b>		Basque National Party (PNV) Day
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**28**

**Monday**

**Egypt**                      1970                      Death of Jamal 'Abd al-Nasir

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**29**

**Tuesday**

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**30**

**Wednesday**

**Botswana**                      1966                      Independence Day  
**Indonesia**                      1965                      Abortive Communist coup

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<b>1</b>			<b>Thursday</b>
<b>China</b>	1949	National Day (Communist victory over Nationalist forces)	
<b>Cyprus</b>	1960	Independence Day	
<b>Indonesia</b>		Pancasila Day (celebrates five-point national ideology, which is opposed by conservative Muslims)	
<b>Nigeria</b>	1960 1963	Independence Day Republic Day	
<b>Spain</b>	1936 1975 1976	Generalissimo Franco assumes power Four policemen killed in Madrid by First of October Antifascist Resistance Group (GRAPO) GRAPO claims responsibility for series of coordinated bombings	
<b>Tunisia, Israel, Palestinians</b>	1985	Israeli bombing of PLO headquarters in Tunis	

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<b>2</b>			<b>Friday</b>
<b>Guinea</b>	1958	Independence Day (proclamation of republic)	

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<b>3</b>			<b>Saturday</b>
<b>Jewish world</b>		<i>Yom Kippur</i> (Day of Atonement)	

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<b>4</b>			<b>Sunday</b>
<b>Lesotho</b>	1966	Independence Day (day Moshoeshoe II took oath of office as king for life)	

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**5****Monday**

**Portugal**                      1910                      Proclamation of republic

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**6****Tuesday**

**China**                      1976                      Arrest of "Gang of Four"

**Egypt**                      1973                      Armed Forces Day (commemorates October War with Israel)

                                    1981                      Assassination of President Anwar Sadat

**Israel Arab world**        1973                      Arab-Israeli war

**Thailand**                    1976                      Military coup against three years of civilian rule; police storm Thammasat University

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**7****Wednesday**

**Botswana**                    1966                      Independence Day

**East Germany**            1949                      Republic Day

**Italy, Egypt, United States, Palestinians**        1985                      Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro hijacked by members of Palestine Liberation Front. One American tourist killed; terrorists release hostages in Egyptian waters on 9 October, flee country next day

**Libya**                      1970                      Fascist Evacuation Day (departure of last Italian settlers)

**Peru**                              Founding of Communist Party (usually marked by Sendero Luminoso attacks)

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<b>8</b>			<b>Thursday</b>
<b>Argentina</b>	1895	Birthday of Juan Peron	
<b>Cuba</b>	1967	Heroic Guerrilla Day (marks death of Che Guevara in Bolivia)	

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<b>9</b>			<b>Friday</b>
<b>Burma, North and South Korea</b>	1983	North Korean commandos detonate massive bomb in Rangoon in attempt to assassinate South Korean President, killing 19 South Korean and Burmese officials	
<b>Uganda</b>	1962	Independence Day	

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<b>10</b>			<b>Saturday</b>
<b>Bolivia</b>	1982	Siles government assumes power	
<b>El Salvador</b>	1980	Founding of Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN)	
<b>Fiji</b>	1970	Independence Day	
<b>Italy, Egypt, United States, Palestinians</b>	1985	US fighter planes divert to Italy Egyptian airliner carrying Achille Lauro hijackers	
<b>Taiwan</b>	1911	Anniversary of revolution that led to founding of Republic of China	
<b>West Germany</b>	1986	Red Army Faction kills Gerold von Braunmuehl, head of Foreign Ministry's Political Department	

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<b>11</b>			<b>Sunday</b>
<b>North Yemen</b>	1977	Assassination of President Col. Ibrahim Mohammed al-Hamidi	
<b>Panama</b>	1968	Revolution that brought Omar Torrijos to power	
	1972	Constitution Day	
<b>South Africa</b>		"International Day of Solidarity with South African Political Prisoners"	
<b>Yugoslavia</b>	1943	Uprising Day (anniversary of founding of Macedonian Liberation Army; holiday in Socialist Republic of Macedonia)	

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**12****Monday**

<b>Chile</b>	1965	Movement of Revolutionary Left (MIR) founded
<b>Equatorial Guinea</b>	1968	Independence Day
<b>United Kingdom</b>	1984	Bombing by Provisional IRA of Conservative Party conference in Brighton

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**13****Tuesday**

<b>Iraq</b>	1932	Independence Day
<b>West Germany</b>	1977	Members of 2 June Movement and Popular Front for Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) hijack Lufthansa aircraft to Mogadishu, Somalia

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**14****Wednesday**

<b>Madagascar</b>	1958	Proclamation of republic
<b>South Yemen</b>	1967	Independence Day
<b>Thailand</b>	1973	Overthrow of military dictatorship and return to civilian rule for three-year period
<b>West Germany</b>	1985	Revolutionary Cells bombs economic targets to commemorate 1977 suicides of Andreas Baader and Gudrun Ensslin
<b>Zaire</b>	1930	Birthday of President Mobutu Sese Seko

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**15**

**Thursday**

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**16**

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**Saturday**

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**18**

**Sunday**

<b>Greece</b>	1981	<b>Panhellenic Socialist Party (PASOK) wins elections</b>
<b>Oman</b>		<b>National Day</b>
<b>West Germany</b>	1977	<b>West German commandos storm PFLP-hijacked Lufthansa plane in Mogadishu, Somalia, freeing all hostages; imprisoned RAF terrorists Andreas Baader, Jan Karl Raspe, and Gudrun Ensslin subsequently commit suicide</b>

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**19****Monday**

<b>Grenada</b>	1983	Execution of Prime Minister Maurice Bishop by leftists seizing power
<b>Mozambique</b>	1986	President Samora Machel killed in accidental plane crash in South Africa
<b>South Africa</b>	1977	Crackdown on black-consciousness organizations
<b>West Germany</b>	1977	Body of Hanns-Martin Schleyer found in France, following abduction 5 September

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**20****Tuesday**

<b>Greece</b>	1977	Police kill Christos Kasimis, member of Revolutionary Peoples' Struggle (ELA) in shootout as he attempts to bomb German firm in Athens
	1986	Bombing of Athens police station claimed in name of "Revolutionary Group Christos Kasimis"
<b>Guatemala</b>	1944	Revolution overthrowing Ubico regime and leading to postwar period of reform
<b>Mongolia</b>	1921	Independence Day

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**21****Wednesday**

<b>Japan</b>	1966	International Antiwar Day
	1978	Beginning of construction of Narita Airport (usually marked by 10 days of demonstrations)
<b>Somalia</b>	1969	Anniversary of revolution that brought Siad Barre to power

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**22**

**Thursday**

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**23**

**Friday**

<b>Hungary</b>	1956	Revolt against Soviet occupation
<b>Lebanon</b>	1983	Bombing by Islamic Jihad of US and French components of the Multinational Force— 299 killed

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**24**

**Saturday**

<b>Egypt</b>	1956	Popular Resistance Day; Suez Day
<b>Zambia</b>	1964	Independence Day

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**25**

**Sunday**

<b>Grenada</b>	1983	US intervention
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**October-  
November 1987**

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**26**

**Monday**

<b>Austria</b>	1955	Revolution Day (departure of last post-World War II occupation forces)
<b>Iran</b>	1919	Birthday of Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi
<b>Palestinians</b>	1974	Rabat Summit Conference decides PLO is sole representative of Palestinians

**27**

**Tuesday**

<b>Czechoslovakia</b>	1918	Independence Day
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**28**

**Wednesday**

<b>Cyprus</b>		Greek National Day (observed by Greek Cypriot community)
<b>Spain</b>	1982	Socialist victory in general election

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**29****Thursday**

<b>Cyprus</b>	1973	Turkish Republic Day (observed by Turkish Cypriot community)
<b>Middle East</b>	1956	Israel, France, and the United Kingdom capture Suez Canal
<b>Turkey</b>	1923	Independence Day (proclamation of republic)

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**30****Friday**

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**31****Saturday**

<b>India</b>	1984	Assassination of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi by her Sikh bodyguards, triggering anti-Sikh riots throughout northern India
<b>Iran</b>	1980	Reza Pahlavi declares himself Shah of Iran in exile
<b>Turkey</b>		In late October and November, terrorist activities by the leftwing group Dev Yol have been more numerous than in other months; attacks in 1982 and 1983 appear to have been made in protest of a referendum and an election during November of those years.

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**1****Sunday**

<b>Algeria</b>	1954	Revolution Day
<b>Antigua and Barbuda</b>	1981	Independence Day
<b>Guinea</b>		Armed Forces Day

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**2****Monday**

**Palestinians**            1917            Balfour Day (anniversary of declaration committing Britain to set up Jewish homeland in Palestine)

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**3****Tuesday**

**Dominica**            1978            Independence Day  
**Italy**                1918            National Unity Day  
**Panama**             1903            Independence Day  
**South Korea**        1929            Students' Day (student protests against Japanese rule in Kwangju)

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**4****Wednesday**

**Iran**                1963            Exile of Ayatollah Khomeini to Turkey  
                          1979            Seizure of US Embassy by student radicals  
**Peru**                1790            Indian leader Tupac Amaru leads revolt against Spanish rule  
                          1983            Founding of Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement (MRTA) and People's Revolutionary Command (CRP)

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<b>5</b>			<b>Thursday</b>
<b>Muslim world</b>	571	<b>Birthday of Prophet Mohammed</b>	
<b>United Kingdom</b>	1605	<b>Guy Fawkes Day (Catholic plot to bomb Parliament thwarted)</b>	

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<b>6</b>			<b>Friday</b>
<b>Colombia</b>	1985	<b>M-19 guerrillas take over Palace of Justice in Bogota. Army storms building next day; more than 100 persons killed, including 12 Supreme Court justices, 40 M-19 leaders and guerrillas, and other hostages</b>	
<b>Morocco</b>	1979	<b>Green March (anniversary of march by unarmed Moroccan citizens into Spanish Sahara)</b>	

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<b>7</b>			<b>Saturday</b>
<b>Communist world</b>	1917	<b>Great October Socialist Revolution</b>	

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<b>8</b>			<b>Sunday</b>
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**9****Monday**

**West Germany**            1938            *Reichskristallnacht* (Crystal Night—outbreak of anti-Jewish violence)  
                                  1974            Death of RAF terrorist Holger Meins from hunger strike

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**10****Tuesday**

**Turkey**                    1938            Death of Kemal Ataturk

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**11****Wednesday**

**Angola**                    1975            Independence Day  
**Colombia**                1957            Declaration of war on central government by People's Liberation Army (EPL)  
**Mauritania**            1984            Coup that brought current regime to power  
**Zimbabwe**             1965            Independence Day

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**12**

**Thursday**

**Austria**                      1918                      **Republic Day**

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**13**

**Friday**

**Syria**                              1970                      **Hafiz al-Assad assumes power**

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**14**

**Saturday**

**Guinea-Bissau**                      1980                      **Coup overthrows government**

**Jordan**                              1935                      **King Hussein's birthday**

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**15**

**Sunday**

**Brazil**                              1889                      **Proclamation of republic**

**Cyprus**                              1983                      **Turkish Cypriot unilateral declaration of independence**

**Irish Republic,  
United Kingdom**                      1985                      **Intergovernmental agreement signed on power sharing in Northern Ireland**

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**16****Monday**

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**17****Tuesday****Greece**

1973

Student uprising at Athens Polytechnic University (terrorist group Revolutionary Organization 17 November takes its name from this incident)

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**18****Wednesday****Latvian SSR**

1918

National Day

**Morocco**

1955

Independence Day

**Oman**

1940

Sultan Qabus bin Said's birthday

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<b>19</b>			<b>Thursday</b>
<b>Ireland</b>	1798	Death of Wolfe Tone, first Irish revolutionary (commemorated by annual nationalist pilgrimage)	
<b>Mali</b>	1968	Liberation Day	

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<b>20</b>			<b>Friday</b>
<b>Saudi Arabia</b>	1979	Occupation of Grand Mosque in Mecca by conservative Muslims inspired by Iran; attackers held out for two weeks. At least 385 persons killed, including 300 attackers 65 Saudi soldiers, and 20 hostages	
<b>Spain</b>	1936 1975	Death of Jose Antonio Primo de Rivera (founder of Falange) Death of Gen. Francisco Franco and accession of King Juan Carlos	

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<b>21</b>			<b>Saturday</b>
<b>Grenada</b>	1973	"Bloody Monday" (death of New Jewel Movement members)	
<b>Libya</b>	1949	Proclamation Day (UN resolution on Libyan independence)	

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<b>22</b>			<b>Sunday</b>
<b>Lebanon</b>	1943	Independence Day	
<b>Pakistan</b>	1979	Sacking of US Embassy in Islamabad in reaction to rumors of US complicity in takeover of Grand Mosque in Mecca	
<b>Spain</b>	1975	Proclamation of Juan Carlos as king	

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**23****Monday****Malta, Egypt**

1985

Egyptian plane hijacked, diverted to Malta by Palestinians believed to belong to Abu Nidal Group. One American murdered, two others wounded.

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**24****Tuesday****Malta, Egypt**

1985

Egyptian troops storm hijacked plane. Fifty-seven passengers, crew, and hijackers killed; one hijacker captured alive

**Zaire**

1965

Revolution Day (Second Congolese Republic established)

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**25****Wednesday****Greece**

1973

Coups leading to end of military rule

**Suriname**

1975

Independence Day

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**26****Thursday**

<b>Mongolia</b>	1924	Founding of republic
<b>United States, Iraq</b>	1984	Renewal of diplomatic relations

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**27****Friday**

<b>Philippines</b>		Birthday of slain opposition leader Benigno Aquino
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**28****Saturday**

<b>Albania</b>	1912	Independence Day
	1944	Liberation Day
<b>Burundi</b>	1966	Proclamation of republic
<b>Chad</b>	1958	Proclamation of republic
<b>Indonesia</b>	1975	Fretilin declares East Timor independent
<b>Lebanon</b>	1936	Founding of Phalange Party
<b>Mauritania</b>	1960	Independence Day
<b>Panama</b>	1821	Independence from Spain

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**29****Sunday**

<b>Israel</b>	1947	Proclamation Day
<b>Palestinians</b>	1947	International Day of Solidarity With the Palestinian People (anniversary of partition)
<b>Yugoslavia</b>	1945	Republic Day

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December 1987**

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**30****Monday**

<b>Barbados</b>	1966	Independence Day
<b>Benin</b>	1975	National Day
<b>South Yemen</b>	1967	Independence Day
	1970	Constitution promulgated

**1****Tuesday**

<b>Central African Republic</b>	1958	National Day (proclamation of republic)
<b>Iceland</b>	1918	Independence Day
<b>Portugal</b>	1640	Independence Day
<b>Thailand</b>	1942	Founding of Communist Party
<b>Yugoslavia</b>	1918	First independent state constituted

**2****Wednesday**

<b>El Salvador</b>	1980	Murder of four American nuns by government troops
<b>Laos</b>	1975	National Day (proclamation of republic)
<b>Philippines</b>	1985	Military officers acquitted in first Aquino murder trial
<b>United Arab Emirates</b>	1971	Abu Dhabi National Day (federation of independent emirates took effect)

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<b>3</b>			<b>Thursday</b>
<b>Peru</b>	1934 1985	Birthday of Sendero Luminoso leader Abimail Guzman Sendero Luminoso marks Guzman's birthday with 20 to 30 coordinated bombings in Lima	

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<b>4</b>			<b>Friday</b>
<b>Spain</b>	1892	Generalissimo Francisco Franco's birthday	

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<b>5</b>			<b>Saturday</b>
<b>Spain</b>	1982	Death of GRAPO leader Martin Luna	

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<b>6</b>			<b>Sunday</b>
<b>Finland</b>	1917	National Day (commemorates independence from Russia)	

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**7****Monday**

**Burma** 1920 Student uprising against British rule  
**Ivory Coast** 1960 Independence Day

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**8****Tuesday**

**Greece** 1974 Declaration of parliamentary republic  
**Suriname** 1982 Execution of 15 opposition leaders

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**9****Wednesday**

**Tanzania** 1961 Independence Day  
1962 Republic Day

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**10**

**Thursday**

<b>Angola</b>	1956	Founding of Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA)
<b>Palestinians</b>	1966	Founding of Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP)

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**11**

**Friday**

<b>Burkina</b>	1958	Republic Day
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**12**

**Saturday**

<b>Kenya</b>	1963	Independence Day
	1964	Republic Day
<b>Kuwait</b>	1983	Bombing of US and French Embassies and other facilities by members of Iraqi Dawa Party.
<b>Western Europe</b>	1979	NATO decision to modernize nuclear forces by installing Pershing II and ground-launched cruise missiles

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**13**

**Sunday**

<b>Malta</b>	1974	Republic Day
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**14****Monday**

**Chile**                      1983                      Founding of Manuel Rodriguez Patriotic Front (FPMR)

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**15****Tuesday**

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**16****Wednesday**

**Bahrain**                      1961                      Accession of Shaykh Isa bin Salman Al Kalifah  
                                          1971                      Independence Day

**Bangladesh**                      1971                      Victory Day (de facto independence)  
                                          1972                      Republican constitution becomes effective

**Belgium**                      1985                      Police arrest Pierre Carrette, suspected leader of Communist Combatant Cells (CCC),  
                                          and three leading members, ending 15-month CCC bombing campaign

**Jewish world**                      *Chanukah* (Festival of Lights) begins

**South Africa**                      1961                      Founding of military arm of African National Congress (ANC), Umkonto we Sizwe

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**17**

**Thursday**

**Bhutan**

1907

**National Day**

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**18**

**Friday**

**Niger**

1958

**Republic Day**

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**19**

**Saturday**

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**20**

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**21****Monday**

<b>Ireland</b>	1948	Proclamation of republic
<b>Nepal</b>	1923	Independence Day
<b>Palestinians</b>	1967	Founding of Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO)

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**22****Tuesday**

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**23****Wednesday**

<b>Egypt</b>	1956	Victory Day (withdrawal of foreign forces from Port Said and Suez)
<b>Jewish world</b>		<i>Chanukah</i> (Festival of Lights) ends
<b>Peru</b>	1985	Sendero Luminoso celebrates Mao Zedong's 26 December birthday with 51 bombings, including a Coca-Cola warehouse

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**24** **Thursday**  
**Libya**                      1951                      **Independence Day**

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**25** **Friday**  
**Afghanistan**              1979                      **Beginning of occupation by Soviet troops**  
**Christian world**                                      **Christmas**  
**Pakistan**                      1876                      **Quaid-i-Azam's birthday**

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**26** **Saturday**  
**China**                      1893                      **Mao Zedong's birthday**  
**Philippines**                      1968                      **Communist Party of the Philippines founded by Jose Maria Sison on Mao's birthday**

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**27** **Sunday**  
**Indonesia**                      1949                      **Transfer of sovereignty from Netherlands**  
**Italy, Austria**                      1985                      **Abu Nidal terrorists carry out simultaneous machinegun and grenade attacks against El Al passenger areas at Rome and Vienna airports**

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**December 1987–  
January 1988**

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**28**

**Monday**

**Latin America**

Equivalent of US April Fools' Day—traditionally sees many hoaxes and bomb threats

**Nepal**

1945

National Day (king's birthday)

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**29**

**Tuesday**

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**30**

**Wednesday**

**Philippines**

1896

Execution of national hero Jose Rizal

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**31****Thursday**

<b>Afghanistan</b>	1964	People's Democratic Party founded
<b>Philippines</b>	1968	Founding of Communist Party/Marxist-Leninist

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**1****Friday**

<b>Brunei</b>	1984	Independence Day
<b>Cameroon</b>	1960	Independence Day
<b>Cuba</b>	1959	Liberation Day (day Batista government fell)
<b>Haiti</b>	1804	Independence Day
<b>Palestinians</b>	1965	Palestinian revolution; founding of Fatah
<b>Sudan</b>	1956	Independence Day (proclamation of republic)
<b>Western Samoa</b>	1962	Independence Day

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**2****Saturday**

<b>Tunisia</b>	1984	Start of countrywide bread riots over removal of subsidies for bread and pasta
<b>Spain</b>	1492	Grenada Day (commemorates expulsion of Moors by King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella)

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**3****Sunday**

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